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2009 MEAT ANIMAL PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME

SOUTH CAROLINA CASH RECEIPTS DOWN FROM 2008

Total cash receipts from marketings of meat animals (cattle and hogs) in SOUTH CAROLINA during 2009 was \$139.8 million, down 20 percent from the \$174.6 million marketed in 2008. Cattle and calves accounted for 82 percent of this total while hogs and pigs represented 18 percent. Total production for both species was 208.7 million pounds, down 17 percent from 2008.

US CASH RECEIPTS DOWN FROM LAST YEAR

Total 2009 cash receipts from marketings of meat animals decreased 10 percent to \$58.6 billion. Cattle and calves accounted for 75 percent of this total, hogs and pigs 24 percent, and sheep and lambs 1 percent. Production decreased for all cattle and calves, hogs and pigs, and sheep and lambs.

Cattle and Calves: Cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves decreased 10 percent from \$48.5 billion in 2008 to \$43.8 in 2009. All cattle and calf marketings totaled 54.1 billion pounds in 2009, down 1 percent from 2008.

Hogs and Pigs: Cash receipts from hogs and pigs totaled \$14.4 billion during 2009, down 10 percent from 2008. Marketings totaled 32.7 billion pounds in 2009, up slightly from 2008.